

RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

RULE 60: SERVICE OF INITIAL PLEADING

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(Added Language in **Bold**; Deleted Language in ~~Strikeout~~)

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- (a) The initial pleading in any State Bar Court proceeding shall be served by the initiating party upon all other parties, except in those matters in which service of the initial pleading is made by the Clerk.
- (b) Service upon a member who is the subject of a proceeding shall be ~~made by certified mail, return receipt requested,~~ addressed to the member at the latest address shown on the official membership records of the State Bar as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6002.1(c). **If the member's latest address is within the United States, such service shall be made by certified mail, return receipt requested. If the member's latest address is outside the United States, such service shall be made by recorded delivery.** If the person to be served is a member but is not required by Business and Professions Code section 6002.1 to maintain an address on the official membership records of the State Bar, the person may be served by any method permitted under the Code of Civil Procedure for service of process. Where a written request, signed by the member, is made to the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel to serve counsel for a party, service shall only be made upon counsel.
- (c) Service upon the State Bar shall be made by serving the Office of **the Chief Trials Counsel** in the appropriate venue by certified mail, return receipt requested, except where another method of service is specified in the rules governing a particular type of proceeding.